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XXIV. ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES

1. The Commission considered agenda item 24 at its 32nd meeting, on 6 April 1998. 1/

2. The Commission had before it a note by the Secretary-General containing nominations of candidates for election to membership of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and biographical data on the candidates (E/CN.4/1998/108 and Add.1 and 2).

3. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolutions 1334 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968 and 1986/35 of 23 May 1986 and decisions 1978/21 of 5 May 1978 and 1987/102 of 6 February 1987, the Commission, at its forty-fourth session (39th meeting, held on 29 February 1988), elected by secret ballot 26 members of the Sub-Commission from nominations of experts made by States Members of the United Nations, on the following basis: (a) seven members from African States; (b) five members from Asian States; (c) three members from Eastern European States; (d) five members from Latin American and Caribbean States; (e) six members from Western European and other States.

4. Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/35, members of the Sub-Commission are elected for a term of four years, and half of the membership and the corresponding alternates, if any, are elected every two years.

5. As the term of office of half of the membership of the Sub-Commission had expired, the Commission was called upon to hold an election of Sub-Commission members and alternates on the following basis: three members from African States, three members from Asian States, one member from Eastern European States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States, and three members from Western European and other States.

6. Three members of the Sub-Commission and their corresponding alternates from the Western European and other States were elected without a vote for a period of four years:

Western European and other States

Mr. Louis Joinet	France
Mr. Emmanuel Decaux a/	
Ms. Erica-Irene A. Daes	Greece
Ms. Kalliopi Koufa a/	
Ms. Françoise Jane Hampson	United Kingdom of Great Britain
Ms. Helena Cook a/	and Northern Ireland

7. The Commission elected by secret ballot ten members of the Sub-Commission and their corresponding alternates, if any, for a period of four years. The following candidates were elected:

African States

Mr. Yeung Kam Yeung Sik Yuen	Mauritius
Mr. El-Hadji Guissé	Senegal
Mr. Joseph Oloka-Onyango	Uganda

Asian States

Mr. Guoxiang Fan	China
Mr. Shukong Zhong a/	
Mr. Soli Jehangir Sorabjee	India
Mr. Rajendra Kalidas Wimala Goonesekere	Sri Lanka
Ms. Deepika Udagama a/	

Eastern European States

Mr. Teimuraz Ramishvili	Russian Federation
Mr. Vladimir Kartashkin a/	

Latin American and Caribbean States

Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro	Brazil
Ms. Marília Sardenberg Zelner Gonçalves a/	
Mr. José Bengoa	Chile
Mr. Alejandro Enrique Salinas Rivera a/	
Mr. Héctor Fix-Zamudio	Mexico
Mr. Alonso Gómez-Robledo Verduzco a/	

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a/ Alternate.